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FLUID COUPLER

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of June 29, 2005.

Applicants, by their undersigned representative, hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-4, which is drawn to a fluid coupler.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected invention is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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